Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families Thursday,7 December 2017 Frisco Tap House, 6695 Dobbin Road, Columbia, Maryland

Attendance: Howard Mooney, Chris Williams, Lisa Terry, Wanda Riddle, Janice Agazio, Bob Moore, Robert Lowell, Alison Buckley, Greg Jolissaint. Guests: Jack McNiff (former commission member), Chris Yates and Tom Glenn.

Meeting was called to order by Howard at 1830. All invited guests were briefly recognized for this shortened official meeting and holiday social hour.

Consideration of the November minutes was moved and seconded. Future commission meetings are January 4, February 1, March 1, and April 10, which is also the date for the annual Veterans Resource Fair.

Howard thanked the commission for what we did on Veterans Day, especially expanded the Veterans Day education initiative to the Howard County schools. It is hopeful that the parade will be expanded next year.

The American Legion Post Holiday party at the VFW Hall was mentioned and Wanda is serving as the point of contact.

The Veterans Monument has a CPA who is putting documents in order for the monument. The monument is an authorized legal entity, which can take contributions. A pedestal featuring the monument concept has been installed at the Columbia Lakefront.

Howard thanked everyone for coming out to the Holiday Social and bringing their guests, and thanked Alison for setting up the social.

Lisa announced that Paolo Restaurante Italiano in Marriottsville has plans to install a Reserved Veterans Parking sign.

Howard wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

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